one of the villages constituting it by election, Government will consider the question of nominating a member from there.

(*e*) As has been stated in the answer to (*d*) above, it is not possible to provide for *desam*-war representation now.

(*f*) No.

(*g*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer to (*f*).

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will the Government be pleased to consider the advisability of nominating one member more as it is a big Panchayat ?

Dr. A. R. Menon *(Minister for Rural Development):* That will upset the proportion. There is a proportion of elected and nominated members and I do not know whether it will be advisable to upset the proportion. I have to consult the Departmental Head before I commit myself one way or other.

CHALDEAN SYRIAN CHRISTIANS—APPOINTMENT OF

9. Mr. K. R. Viswambharan *(Ezhuvas-Talappalli):* Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether any candidate from among the Chaldean Syrian Christians has been recommended for appointment by the Staff Selection Board in 1114;

(*b*) whether there are applicants from this community for Government appointments;

(*c*) how many of them were appointed in 1114 either in acting or permanent vacancies;

(*d*) what is the total population of this community in the State according to the Census of 1931 ?

Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) Five were appointed to acting vacancies and one to a permanent vacancy.

(*d*) 6809.

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